

Knowledge Organisers

Text: Beowulf

Dear parents/carers,

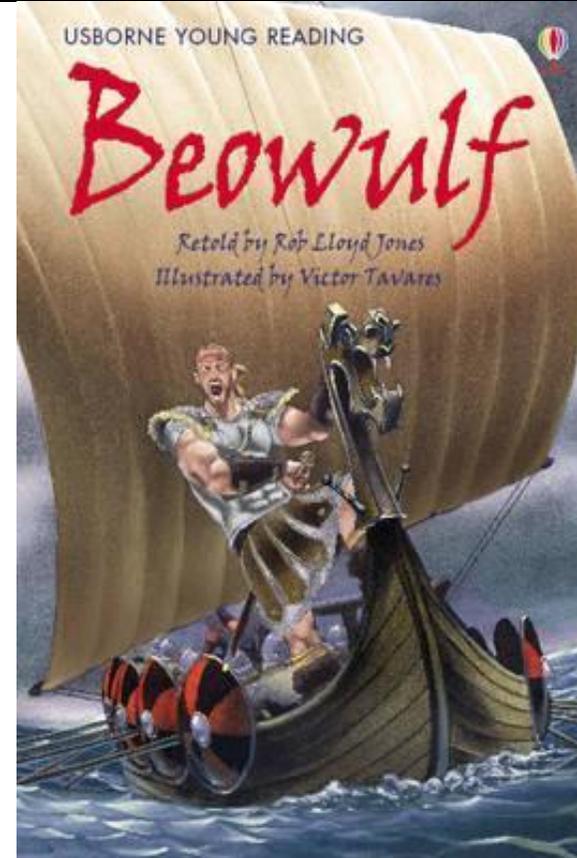
Attached is your child's knowledge organiser which is linked to the text they are currently covering in class.

At David Livingstone, we have started to use knowledge organisers to provide children and parents with key information that pupils will need to know, in order to fully understand their text. Children will be quizzed regularly on these facts to ensure that they are committed to long- term memory.

We hope you find the knowledge organisers useful and supportive. Please spend time going over the information with your child at home to support them with their learning journey.

Please speak to your class teacher or a member of the senior leadership team if you have any further question.

Many thanks
Miss Riley

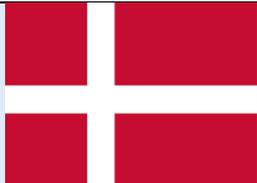


Context Knowledge Organiser Year Group: 3	Text: Beowulf Author: Michael Morpurgo
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A Midsummer night's dream

Author	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Michael Morpurgo • Place of birth: St Albans, Herefordshire • Born: 5th November 1943
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Geographical Focus

Scandinavia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scandinavia is a region in Northern Europe • The term Scandinavia in local usage covers the three kingdoms of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden. 	
Demark	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copenhagen is its capital. • Denmark is part of Scandinavia. 	
Sweden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The capital city is Stolkholm • Sweden is part of Scandinavia 	
Norway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The capital city is Oslo • Norway is part of Scandinavia 	



Historical Focus

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vikings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Farms: Vikings lived by farming. - Ships: Vikings lived in rectangular buildings - Houses: Warships and merchant ships allowed Vikings to raid foreign lands.
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- Warriors: The Vikings were known as savage and courageous fighters.
- Honour: A Vikings honour or good name was his most prized possession.

Vocabulary

Moors	An open area of unused land.		Spear	A weapon with a pointed tip, typically of steel, and a long shaft, used for thrusting or throwing.	
Ancient	Belonging to the very distant past.		Lair	A secret or private place in which a person lives to hide away from others.	
Swamp	An area of low-lying, unused ground where water collects, also known as a bog or a marsh.		Bog	An area of low-lying, unused ground where water collects, also known as a swamp or a marsh.	

Themes of the book

Heroism	The hero Beowulf shows great bravery.
Kings and lineage	The path to becoming a king is evident in this book.
Monsters	Many monsters terrorise the residents of Scandinavia.
Weapons	There are many weapons used to defeat the monsters.